Manufacture of spurious liquor in Delhi and other Union Territories

822. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that hooch manufacture and consumption is still rampant in Delhi and other parts of the country;

(b) if so the number of human lives claimed by consumption of spurious liquor in Delhi and other Union Territories during 1986 and 1985 and the number of persons seriously afflicted as a result of hooch consumption during these years; and

(c) the steps taken to prevent and effectively prohibit production and consumption of such liquor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) So far as the Union Territories are concerned, the following figures of death due to consumption of spurious liquor for the years 1985 and 1986 do not indicate that manufacture and consumption of spurious liquor is rampant:—

S. No.	Name of the U.T.	No. of deaths 1985	1986
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1	Nil
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil	Nil
3	Chandigarh	1	1
4	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Nil	1
5	Delhi	1	Ni
6	Goa, Daman & Diu	3	11
7	Lakshadweep	Nil	Ni
8	Mizoram	Nil	Nil
9	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil

(c) Raids and searches are conducted to trace sources of spurious liquor.

Spurt in crime rate in Delhi

823. SHRI J. P. GOYAL:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a spurt in the incidents of crimes including murders in the Union Territory of Delhi during the past few months;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of rise in the crime rate in Delhi during the last six months, month-wise;

(c) whether Government have reviewed the situation to identify the deficiencies in the security measures in checking crimes in the city; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Compared to the corresponding period of the previous year there has been substantial decrease in the criminal cases reported during the period August, 1987 to January, 1988.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) A reiew is undertaken from time to time. On the basis of such a review about 12,000 more posts and purchase of about 668 more vehicles for the Delhi Police have been sanctioned. Setting up of 25 more Police Stations, 12 Police Sub-Divisions and 3 Police Districts have been approved. 100 Pickets at strategic points manned by personnel equipped with weapons and wireless sets have been set up.